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Title:

T-CELL RECEPTOR PROTEIN (AS AMENDED)

Serial No.:

09/405,940

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Group Art Unit: 1644

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FEE SHEET

Sir:

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- 1. Return Postcard;
- 2. Response Transmittal (1 pg., in duplicate);
- 3. Response to Office Action (8 pp., in duplicate);
- 4. Copy of executed Declaration and Power of Attorney as originally signed (3 pp); and
- 5. Exhibits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2000 (Paper No. 8), Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, line 1, please insert This application is a divisional application of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/897,097, filed July 18/1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,054,292".

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 2 and 13 as indicated below.

- 1. (Twice Amended) A [substantially] purified T-cell receptor beta protein comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1[, an allelic variant thereof, or a fragment thereof].
- 2. (Once Amended) A variant of T-cell receptor beta-like protein having at least 90% amino acid identity to SEQ ID NO:1 and which retains <u>IL-2 inducing activity</u> [at least one functional

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